2018 Maryland Renewal Reminder

To: Maryland Massage Therapists & Practitioners (LMTs & RMPs)

From: MD Board of Chiropractic & Massage Therapy Examiners

Re: IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT YOUR UPCOMING License/Registration Renewal

Your license/registration renewal for the 2018 –2020 biennial period is coming due before Oct. 30, 2018. All ACTIVE & INACTIVE RENEWALS WILL BE DONE SOLELY ONLINE. Online Renewal access will be through our website at www.health.maryland.gov/massage starting in mid August. A "Renewal Resource Page" will be posted on the website listing all renewal information disseminated AND you will receive a detailed advisory letter via email with instructions on accessing & processing your renewal application online.

All LMTs & RMPs must report their completed CEUs accurately within the renewal application's CEU section. You should be getting your CEUs completed NOW to avoid renewal delays and lapses in the ability to practice. Random Audits selected from the licensing database will take place and all audited LMTs & RMPs MUST PRODUCE OFFICIAL COURSE COMPLETION Certificates reflecting the regulatory 24 Hours of CEUs which includes a minimum of: 3 Hrs. Ethics or Jurisprudence; 3 Hrs. in Communicable-disease incl. AIDS/HIV; 1 Hr. Diversity or Cultural Comp., and 17 Hrs. in Massage-Related Courses.

In addition to the requirements of CEUs of the regulation, at the time of renewal, all active LMTs & RMPs shall possess certification of qualification in CPR (LMT's Healthcare Provider Level & RMP's Basic CPR) It is your responsibility to ensure the correct CPR course as the Board does not make recommendations. **Note:** Initial licenses and registrations issued on or after 10/31/2017 are "EXEMPT" from the CEU requirements only; **but MUST renew and HOLD a valid CPR certification.**

LMT's & RMP's with Tax and/or Child Support Holds may not renew until the matters <u>are cleared</u> respectively with either the MD Comptroller or Dept. of Human Resources and they issue a "CLEAR.

You must deal directly with those entities and ensure a "clearance" is sent to this Board before the late renewal period to avoid \$200 late fee. NO ONE MAY PRACTICE WITHOUT A RENEWED LICENSE or REGISTRATION. Any questions regarding this notice, please email me at mdh.bcmte@maryland.gov.

Regards, Adrienne Congo, Deputy Director & Massage Therapy Program Mgr.